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Amend A
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Removable Maintenance Port and Method for Rehabilitating Manhole



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Amendment A

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 12, 2002, please amend the above application as follows:

Drawings: Amended Drawings are included: 8 sheets (formal).

Specification: Amended Description of Invention: 18 pages.

Claims: Cancel all of the claims of record and substitute new claims 24 to 46 as follows:

24. A removably insertable apparatus for accessing underground pipes comprising:

an annular, hollow top unit made of a corrosion resistant load-bearing composite material, the interior diameter of which exceeds the exterior diameter of an annular, hollow base unit;

said base unit made of a corrosion resistant load-bearing composite material, the exterior diameter of which is less

A'